

LINN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CEDAR RAPIDS, LINN COUNTY, IOWA
MONDAY, APRIL 1, 2024 10:00 A.M.

The Board met in session at the Linn County Jean Oxley Public Service Center. Present: Chairperson Running-Marquardt, Vice Chairperson Rogers and Supervisor Zumbach. Board members voting "AYE" unless otherwise noted.

Chairperson Running-Marquardt called the meeting to order.

Motion by Running-Marquardt, seconded by Rogers to approve minutes of March 26 (9:00 & 10:00 a.m meetings) and March 27, 2024 as printed.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Zumbach to approve Claims date 3/29/24 for payroll deduction checks #71014803-#71014099 in the amt. of \$1,060,149.73, ACH in the amt. of \$50,682.28; and an EFT Wire in the amt. of \$2,171,317.23, for a total of \$3,282,149.24.

Lisa Powell, HR Dir., presented the updated American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) Contracts with fiscal year (FY) 2025 and FY26 wages. She stated that the wages are a 4% increase. They also added one holiday (Juneteenth) and three new job descriptions.

Motion by Zumach, seconded by Rogers to approve updated American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) Contracts with fiscal year (FY) 2025 and FY26 wages.

Discussion: Chairperson Running-Marquardt thanked Lisa Powell, the bargaining team and employees that worked on these agreements.

VOTE: All Aye

Motion by Zumbach, seconded by Rogers to open a public hearing for an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances, Linn County, Iowa by amending provisions in Chapter 107, Unified Development Code. Proof of publication was presented. There were no oral or written objections.

Charlie Nichols, Planning & Development Dir., presented the following changes: 1) Variance requests must include a hardship that is not from the applicant's own actions. 2. Minimum Housing Inspections of existing dwellings constructed prior to Jan 1, 1985, when being sold through a subdivision process. 3) Simplifying size limitations for cabins and associated accessory structures in the REC Seasonal Cabin and Recreation Area Overlay District; and amending the date of adopted FEMA maps for Linn County.

Motion by Zumbach, seconded by Rogers to close public hearing.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Zumbach to approve upon first consideration an ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances, Linn County, Iowa by amending provisions in Chapter 107, Unified Development Code. Staff is proposing several text amendments to the Unified Development Code (UDC) related to: clarifying a standard relating to variance requests; adding a requirement for a housing safety inspection for existing dwellings constructed prior to January 1, 1985 located on a parcel involved in a subdivision request; simplifying size limitations for cabins and associated accessory structures in the REC Seasonal Cabin and Recreation Area Overlay District; and amending the date of adopted FEMA maps for Linn County. Case PA24-0002.

Public Comment: Marc Banowetz, Ivanhoe Rd., presented questions about the Unified Development Code Ordinance Amendment regarding garage size restrictions and home inspections.

Nichols clarified that the garage size restrictions are only for the cabin areas. Home inspections are only for any house built prior to 1985 that is being subdivided. They are not applying the full building code, just inspecting the house prior to being subdivided and sold.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Zumbach to approve the following Payroll Authorizations:

RECORDER'S OFFICE

Clerical Specialist	Leah McDowell	Step increase/contract 04/03/24
55B \$21.42 – 55C \$22.54		
Clerical Specialist	Matthew Black	Step increase/contract 04/03/24
55B \$21.42 – 55C \$22.54		

FACILITIES

Custodian	Iona Smith	New hire – PT 04/01/24 10A \$18.46 + \$.25
20 hrs/wk		Replaces N. Zeremariam
Custodian	Claudine Niyogushima	New hire – PT0 4/01/24 10A \$18.46 + \$.2520 hrs/wk
		Replaces L. Thompkins
Custodian	Stephanie Cavalier	Transfer from Treasurer's Office – internal
applicant 04/15/24 56E \$27.08 – 10E \$21.96 + \$.25 PT, 20 hrs/wk		Replaces K. Dabokou

SHERIFF’S OFFICE

Crthouse/Trans Sec Ofcr Terence Dabney

Termination/resignation 03/25/24

LIFTS

LIFTS Dispatcher Jacqueline Spradley

Termination/resignation 03/25/24

JUVENILE DETENTION

Youth Counselor Jaden Roby

Termination 03/26/24

Youth Counselor Shawn Stampka

Step increase/contract 04/05/24 36D \$29.24 –

36E \$30.78

Youth Counselor Morgan Hennessy

Step increase/contract 04/18/24 36C \$27.73 –

36D \$29.24

JDDS Director William Wright III

Promotion 03/30/24 \$90,538.80 -

\$99,592.68/annually

Replaces D. Schott

Intervention Counselor Darla Meyer

Termination/resignation 05/06/24

PUBLIC HEALTH

Hlth Equity Prog Mgr Anne Carter

Step increase/contract 04/04/24 40C \$37.02 –

40D \$39.01

Environmental Chemist Seth Zimmermann

Step increase/contract 04/19/24 39D \$36.16 –

39E \$38.16

ENGINEERING

Intern Logan Bogert

New hire – Temporary 05/13/24 \$20.00/hr

Roadway Mtc Wrkr Joe Carper

New hire – Temporary 05/28/24 \$20.00/hr

Motion by Running-Marquardt, seconded by Zumbach to enter into a Closed Session to discuss pending litigation, pursuant to Code of Iowa 21.5(1)(c).

VOTE: Running-Marquardt – Aye Rogers – Aye Zumbach - Aye

Motion by Zumbach, seconded by Rogers to go out of Closed Session.

VOTE: Running-Marquardt – Aye Rogers – Aye Zumbach - Aye

Adjournment at 10:42 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JOEL D. MILLER, Linn County Auditor
By: Rebecca Shoop, Deputy Auditor

APPROVED BY:

KIRSTEN RUNNING-MARQUARDT, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors